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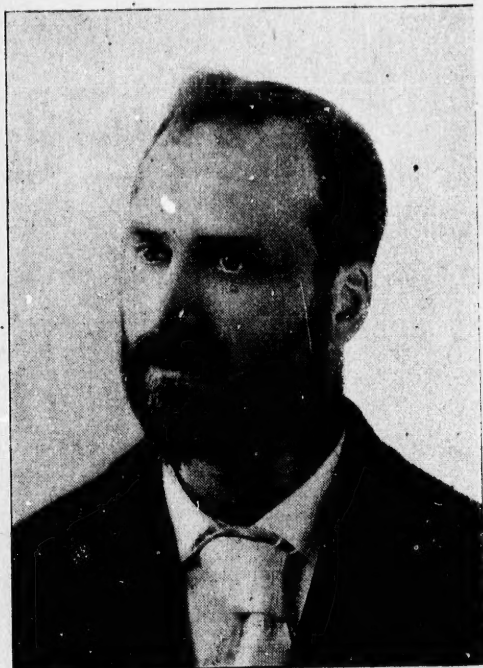
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Miss Quiverful (breaking into a proposal)—Why do you speak so low?

Mr. Shynan (in confusion)—I was afraid of waking your mother up.

Miss Quiverful (reassuringly)—You need not be alarmed. She won't wake 'up until you are through.

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Hungry Hank—I wish you'd gimme a turkey stuffed with oysters. I'm famished.

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CAST OF CHARACTERS.

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Nathaniel Glover, Manager Star Theatre Mr. Will Mandeville
Clarence Vane, an unsuccessful actor..... Mr. Philip H. Ryley
Mr. McCullum, Reginald's father-in-law ... Mr. H. D. James
Jeremiah Pinchard, Dairyman..... Mr. Walter Parr
Schwartz, Gains, Job, Furniture Employees from the Royal Moving Van
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Bella, Servant..... Miss Anita Verno
Elsie Clermont..... Miss Vesta Day
Madame Volant, Society Dressmaker..... Miss Channez Olney

— and —

MARGERY SYLVESTER..... "EMILY BANCKER"

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Hotel Clerk—Put them all down from Chicago.

FOND HOPES BLASTED.

Satan—You have a bright future before you you, young man.

New Arrival—Have I, really?

Satan—Yes.

And then Satan opened the door of the fiery furnace and gently pushed him in.

The prince's tutor—"What can your highness tell me about gold?"

The prince is silent.

Tutor—"Quite right, your highness. Silence is golden!"—Fliegende Blaetter.

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PROGRAMME—Continued from Page 7.

SYNOPSIS OF PLAY.

ACT I.—Top Floor Flat. Montmorency Apartment House.

ACT II.—Two weeks later.

ACT. III.—Morning, one week later.

TIME—The Present. PLACE—Harlem, New York.

During the Third Act, the duet "Little Red Riding Hood" will be introduced with travesties on Grand Opera and the Separation Scene from Pinero's Play, "The Profligate."

NOTE :—"Our Flat" was produced under the direction of Mr. John Morris, who staged the original production at the Strand Theatre, London, England. Mr. Morris made the voyage to America expressly to give this production his personal attention.

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workmen began last week." "Are you
making radical changes?" "Yes—very."
"What is to be the main feature of the new
house?" "You—if you'll consent."

ON THE BOWERY.

Customer (in a restaurant)—Bring one
Welsh rarebit and an order of pig's feet.
Waiter (through slide)—One Taffy on a
doorstep, one Trilby from the rooter!

SHE HAD REVENGE.

As soon as closed the final scene
Of each act he withdrew—
In brief, went out the act between
To see a man he knew.
No tears adown her fair cheeks ran;
She donned her sweetest smile,
And flirted with another man
Who sat across the aisle.

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During the evening, incidental to the stage performance, the ORCHESTRA of the Grand Opera House, under the direction of FRED. L. EVANS, will perform the following selections :

OVERTURE—"Poet and Peasant" *Suppe*
MARCH—"Kameka" *Faust*
ZYLLOPHONE SOLO—"Cameo Polka" *Muller*
GALOP—"Salut" *Lumbye*

The above Programme subject to transposition.

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Friend (being shown through the house)—
"Do you find that the use of the gas-stove
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keep—"Not a bit, the company doesn't know
we have it!"

Miss Coygirl—"Jack Softleigh told me last
night that I ought to accept him, because he
was willing to prove his love for me." Her
Friend—"What did you say?" Miss Coygirl—
"I said I couldn't see it in that light." Her
Friend—"Then what did he say?" Miss
Coygirl—"Nothing. He just turned the
light out."

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(From Puck.)

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Weeks are last. I don't care!  
Never like it, anyhow—  
Wasn't any fun down there.

Teacher—And who Samson was—  
S'pose I made a bad mistake—  
But I told her what I thought:  
Samson was a bloomin' fake.

Judge—Name? Prisoner—Smith. Judge  
—Occupation? Prisoner—Locksmith. Judge  
—Officer, locksmith up.

## SHE OUGHT TO.

Tagleigh—That girl dresses out of sight,  
doesn't she?

Wagleigh—Of course she does. Where  
would you have her dress?

Flossie—Mamma, tan I have a new dollie?

Mamma—No! Your doll is just as good  
as new.

Flossie—Well I'se dest as dood as new, but  
Dod dave 'oo another little dirle.

First horse—"Well, they took poor old  
Dobbin to the slaughter-house to-day." Sec-  
ond horse—"That's too bad." First horse—  
"It is bad, but worse remains. They mean  
to make his hide into bicycle-saddles."

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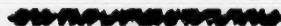
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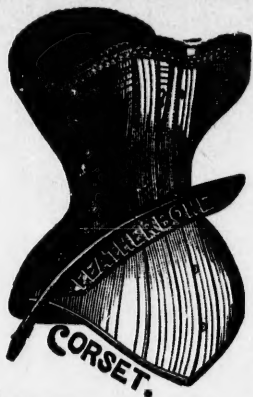
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—Life.

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Hungry Hawkes—"Nope! But I slep' in an onion bed last night."

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ONE ON WOMAN.

Oh, woman, lovely woman, were it not for thee,
Man, indeed would have a fit and die from
apathy.

Thou art fair as the lily, and beauteous as
the rose,

For, coming down to beauty, you're in it, "I'll
tell you those."

Oh, woman, lovely woman, thy charms are
ever great,

Thou dost keep the men all guessing some-
time at a lively rate.

How often hast thou caught them with thy
smile so fair to see,

Oh, woman, lovely woman, come, wilt "smile
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And tell them when they printing want—
forget that "there are others."

Then woman, lovely woman, thou hast not
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He—"I'd like a flower in my coat when I
go." She—"I'll put it in now."

"Going to take your family abroad, Hicks?"
"Yep." "Where do you expect to be in
August?" "In bankruptcy."

Wife—"What do you think of Bridget's
cooking?" Husband—"I think if she tried
to boil water she'd burn it."

She (reproachfully)—"You said you would
die for me." He (stiffly)—"I was referring to
my whiskers, madam."

"Say, guide, what does that memorial
stone commemorate?" "I put it there. It
is upon that spot where a tourist once gave
me five marks."

Painter (to his model)—"Now you can
rest a bit while I paint in the background."
Peasant woman (bashfully)—"Ach, then I
suppose I shall have to turn 'round."

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